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The Secretary-General presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 816 (1993) of 31 March 1993, has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) regarding apparent violations of the ban on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 9 and 11 August 1993, there appear to have been six flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 816 (1993) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with paragraph 2 of that resolution. Details as to the itinerary of flights in this reporting period are attached as annex I to the present note verbale. Additionally, there appear to have been four flights on 8 August 1993 not previously reported. Details as to the itinerary of these flights are attached hereto as annex II.

The total number of flights assessed as apparent violations is now 787.

Annex I

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(9-11 August 1993)

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
800	9 Aug.	0747	0751	AWACS made radar contact 20 kilometres west of Banja Luka. NATO fighters did not make contact. AWACS last reported position of the contact was 10 kilometres north-west of Banja Luka. The contact is assessed to have been a helicopter. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.	North-east Slow Low
801	10 Aug.	1616	1643	United Nations military observers reported that a green MI-8 helicopter with red cross markings landed at Banja Luka military hospital. The flight was an approved medical evacuation (MEDEVAC) from Doboj where it had been inspected. No casualties, however, were loaded on board. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.	West Slow Low
802	10 Aug.	1754	1804	NATO fighters made radar and visual contact with a white helicopter 25 kilometres south-west of Tuzla. The helicopter ignored numerous warnings and landed 2 kilometres north of Zenica. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	West Unknown 3,000 ft.
803	11 Aug.	1500	1552	United Nations military observers reported that a blue and white MI-8 helicopter with red cross markings landed at Tuzla. Local authorities had initiated a medical evacuation (MEDEVAC) request for this flight 30 minutes after it took off from Zenica. Upon landing at Tuzla, four patients - one civilian and two soldiers - disembarked. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Various Unknown Low
804	11 Aug.	1540	1557	NATO fighters made radar and visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter with a blue stripe and red cross markings 5 kilometres north-east of Tuzla. A few minutes later, the helicopter landed in the Tuzla Sport Park where 10 people boarded. The helicopter was on the ground only a few minutes before it took off again. Ignoring warnings issued by the fighters, it soon landed at Visca quarry 15 kilometres south of Tuzla. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Various Unknown Unknown
805	11 Aug.	1605	1609	NATO fighters made radar and visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter with red cross markings 24 kilometres south-east of Zenica. Ignoring two warnings issued by the fighters, the helicopter soon landed at Zenica. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	North-east Unknown Unknown

Annex II

Additional information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(8 August 1993)

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
806 807 808 809	8 Aug.	1900	2100	United Nations military observers were invited to observe a flight demonstration using a motorized glider by the Army of Bosnia and Herzegovina at Cazin Airfield. The demonstration was comprised of four flights, each lasting four minutes. All flights remained in the vicinity of Cazin Airfield. These flights occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Unknown Slow Low